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September 29, 2005

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Marlene H. Dortch Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W. Room TW-A306 Washington, DC 20554

Re:

Universal Service Fund - Louisiana Public Service Commission Certification for

Universal Service Funding/2005-2006

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The purpose of this letter is to supplement our recent State Commission Certification Letter. As stated therein, in accordance with the fourteenth Report and Order, Twenty-Second Order on Reconsideration, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket No. 96-45, and Report and Order in CC Docket No. 00-256 adopted on May 10, 2001 and released May 23, 2001, the Louisiana Public Service Commission ("Commission" or "LPSC") certifies that the additional carriers listed below are eligible telecommunications carriers for rural service areas and the Universal Service Funds are being used for the intended purposes as evidenced by the affidavits filed on behalf of the carriers (copies attached as Exhibit A).

Name SAC Service Area

Centennial Lafayette Communications, LLC 349 Route 138, Building A Wall, NJ 07719

279005

Rural



Centennial Beauregard Cellular, LLC 3349 Route 138, Building A Wall, NJ 07719	279001	Rural
Centennial Hammond Cellular, LLC 3349 Route 138, Building A Wall, NJ 07719	279003	Rural
Centennial Caldwell Cellular Corp. 3349 Route 138, Building A Wall, NJ 07719	279002	Rural
Centennial Morehouse Cellular, LLC 3349 Route 138, Building A Wall, NJ 07719	279004	Rural
NPCR, Inc. ("Nextel Partners") 4500 Carillon Point Kirkland, WA 98033	273006	Rural
Acadian Cellular General Partnership 7266 Tom Drive, Suite 200 Baton Rouge, LA 70806	279010	Rural

If additional information is required, please feel free to contact our office.

Sincerely,

Lawrence C. St. Blanc LPSC Executive Secretary

**Enclosures** 

cc:

USAC – Irene Flannery <a href="mailto:hcfilings@hcli.universalservice.org">hcfilings@hcli.universalservice.org</a>

### **EXHIBIT A**



William L. Roughton, Jr.

Vice President Legal & Regulatory Affairs

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#### VIA HAND DELIVERY

LA Public Service Commission

Louisiana Public Service Commission Attn: Lawrence C. St. Blanc Executive Secretary Galvez Building, 12th Floor 602 North Fifth Street P. O. Box 91154 Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9154

Re:

High Cost Certification of Centennial Beauregard Cellular LLC, Centennial Caldwell Cellular Corp., Centennial Hammond Cellular LLC, Centennial Morehouse Cellular LLC and Centennial Lafayette Communications LLC. LPSC Docket No. U-27174

Dear Mr. St. Blanc:

This certification is provided pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313 and 54.314. On behalf of Centennial Beauregard Cellular LLC, Centennial Caldwell Cellular Corp., Centennial Hammond Cellular LLC, Centennial Morehouse Cellular LLC and Centennial Lafayette Communications LLC. (collectively, the "Companies"), I hereby certify under penalty of perjury that all high-cost universal service support provided to the Companies for the 2006 calendar year will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

The Louisiana Public Service Commission ("LPSC") issued Order No. U-27174 on May 26, 2004 designating the Companies as eligible telecommunications carriers ("ETCs") in the State of Louisiana, effective January 14, 2004. The Companies were subsequently certified as ETCs with the FCC and USAC. The Companies' eligibility to receive continued ETC support for the 2006 calendar year is dependent upon the LPSC providing re-certification of the Companies' eligibility to the FCC and USAC on or before October 1, 2005. See 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313(d)(3)(i) and 54.314(d). Accordingly, the Companies hereby request that the LPSC transmit a letter to the FCC and USAC to provide for the certification. The letter will need to be received by the FCC and USAC on or before October 1, 2005 to be effective.

Thank you for you assistance in this matter. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (732) 556-2261.

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY )

) ss:

COUNTY OF MONMOUTH)

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of New Jersey that I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of Centennial Beauregard Cellular LLC, Centennial Caldwell Cellular Corp., Centennial Hammond Cellular LLC, Centennial Morehouse Cellular LLC, and Centennial Lafayette Communications LLC and that the foregoing is true and correct.

Centennial Beauregard Cellular LLC
Centennial Caldwell Cellular Corp.
Centennial Hammond Cellular LLC
Centennial Morehouse Cellular LLC
Centennial Lafayette Communications LLC

Bv:

WILLIAM **M** ROUGHTON, JR

Vice President

Legal and Regulatory Affairs

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5 day of August, 2005.

Votary Public

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### VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

LA Public Service Commission

Louisiana Public Service Commission Attn: Lawrence C. St. Blanc Executive Secretary Galvez Building, 12th Floor 602 North Fifth Street P. O. Box 91154 Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9154

Re: High Cost Certification of NPCR, Inc. ("Nextel Partners")

LPSC Docket No. U-27289

Dear Mr. St. Blanc:

This certification is provided pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313 and 54.314. On behalf of NPCR, Inc. ("Nextel Partners" or "Company"), I hereby certify, under penalty of perjury, that all high-cost universal service support provided to the Company for the 2006 calendar year will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

The Louisiana Public Service Commission ("LPSC") issued Order No. U-27289 on June 29, 2004 designating the Company an eligible telecommunications carrier ("ETC") in the State of Louisiana. The Company was subsequently certified as an ETC with the FCC and USAC. The Company's eligibility to receive continued ETC support for the 2006 calendar year is dependent upon the LPSC providing re-certification of the Company's eligibility to the FCC and USAC on or before October 1, 2005. See 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313(d)(3)(i) and 54.314(d)(1).

Accordingly, the Company hereby requests that the LPSC transmit a letter to the FCC and USAC to provide for the certification. The letter will need to be received by the FCC and USAC on or before October 1, 2005 to be effective.

Thank you for you assistance in this matter. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (425) 576-3600.

Sincerely,

Donald J. Manning

Vice President and General Counsel

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STATE OF WASHINGTON)
) ss:
COUNTY OF KING
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I certify, under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of Washington, that I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of NPCR, Inc. ("Nextel Partners") and that the foregoing is true and correct.

NPCR, INC. ("NEXTEL PARTNERS")

Donald J. Manning

Vice President and General Counsel

Subscribed and sworn to before me this  $\leq$  day of August, 2005.

Notary Public

#### ACADIANA CELLULAR GENERAL PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL ETC CERTIFICATION

I, Paul Roth, being of lawful age and duly sworn, state that I serve as Executive Vice President, External Affairs and Public Relations for Cingular Wireless LLC, the manager of New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC which is the managing general partner of Acadiana Cellular General Partnership and Lafayette MSA Limited Partnership, (all collectively "Acadiana").

I hereby attest to the Louisiana Public Service Commission that I either have personal knowledge or information and belief of the facts stated herein:

All funds received by Acadiana from the federal high cost universal service support fund will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Louisiana that the foregoing is true and correct.

Atlanta, Georgia September 27, 2005

Paul Roth

**Executive Vice President** 

External Affairs and Public Relations

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27 day of September, 2005.

Kathleen Kenny, Notary Public Notary License Number: W/A

Gwinnette County, Georgia

My commission expires: August 3, 2009 WHITH KENTING